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'Let's talk STORY'

Puget Sound held its 39th yearly Lu'au, April 18. Over 100 students performed and nearly 1,000 attended the annual dinner.

BY PETER STEVENSON
NEWS WRITER

Students, faculty and staff gathered at the field house April 18 for Hui O Hawai'i's 39th annual Lu'au celebration to commemorate traditional Hawaiian culture through music, dance and cuisine. The event, which included over 130 student dancers and organizers, kicked off with a traditional Kalua pig roast on Saturday afternoon followed by a show in the Field House.

This year's Lu'au was themed "E Wala' au Kakou," which translates in a Hawaiian dialect of pidgin English to "Let's Talk Story."

"This is a common phrase in Hawai'i meaning casual conversation between friends or family," Leigh Sumida, Lu'au chair of Hui O Hawai'i, said. "Here, it's a way to share our own personal stories and culture with the community."

The theme was reflected in many of the dances that told traditional Hawaiian stories and legends.

"Hawaiian language and history was always passed on orally before the arrival of missionaries," Kawika Huston, Lu'au chair, said. "The theme of 'Let's Talk Story' fits in the sense of dialogue and conversation by allowing stories and legends to survive throughout time."

Planning the Lu'au is a long and meticulous process. It began last year when Hui O Hawai'i members formed organizational committees and chose a theme.

In total, 111 students performed and an additional 20 coordinators oversaw logistical issues such as decorations, ticket sales and stage lighting. Save for two, all songs were choreographed by Puget Sound students.

A favorite of the evening was the Lu'au dinner, which included a traditionally cooked Kalua pig.

"We dug the hole early Friday morning, cooked the pig in the ground all day and night on hot rocks and banana stems and dug it up on Saturday morning," Sumida said. "It's a traditionally Hawaiian way to cook a pig."

Around 650 people participated in the dinner, which included a variety of other Hawaiian dishes such as chicken long rice, guava cakes and Lomi Lomi Salmon.

Puget Sound hosts one of the most impressive and elaborate Lu'au celebrations on the West Coast, according to Sumida.

"We're different because our Hawaiian population is so small," Sumida said. "Here at Puget Sound, we have a really diverse group who dances and helps with planning, which just goes to show that you don't have to be from Hawaii to enjoy all of this."

Sustainability at the Lu'au

Puget Sound's student-run sustainability organization

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Some seniors forgo local job hunt for adventure aboard

BY LIZZY STAHL
NEWS WRITER

As the school year draws to a close, graduating seniors are considering their options in the post-college world. Because current economic difficulties have increased the challenge of the domestic job search, many students are looking beyond U.S. borders to begin the next stages of their lives. One popular way to travel, experience other cultures, and make some money is by teaching English abroad.

In a recent article on CNN.com, representatives from programs including Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET), the Spanish Ministry of Education and Reach to Teach all reported significant increases in their applicant pools for 2009. Several Puget Sound graduates are completing the application process or have already been accepted to these programs and others. Still more students are seeking independent teaching positions or plan to travel and find work as it becomes available.

Among the factors involved in the international job search, many seniors cited previous study abroad experience as a major motivation to leave the U.S. again, if temporarily. Carrie Miltenberger explained how she first became interested in teaching English internationally.

"Studying abroad sparked my interest in travel and adventure. I want to continue to experience new countries and people, but in a more stable situation than couch surfing or living in hostels for months at a time," Miltenberger said.

During this time abroad, she became aware of teaching English as a possibility for further international travel, and will be moving to Prague after graduation. "I went on a road trip in Europe with a guy who was getting his TEFL [Teaching English as a Foreign Language] certificate. I'm excited to go back to Europe and to travel again. I'm hoping to network while I'm there to find a job that I would eventually want to do long-term," Miltenberger said.

Lauren Justice, who will spend the next year along with another graduating senior, Kagan Riedel, teaching English for Reach to Teach in South Korea, shared a similar experience.

"I first thought about doing this while abroad. I never saw

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myself living in Asia in the past but after going abroad I don't care where I go, I just want to be out in the world learning what it has to give back to me. The more I learn about South Korea, the more excited I get," Justice said.

Several students also explained that the current state of the economy has provided them with few options for work at home, making the international job market more enticing. Mia Palomo is looking forward to the temporary stability of a teaching and cultural ambassador position through the Ministry of Education in Spain.

"With the economy how it is, I'm glad to have a job guaranteed for nine months even if I

won't be able to save most of the money I make. When I decided not to go straight to grad school and it was too late to apply for fellowships, I was told that the program I applied for is a good idea if I'm looking to take some time off before grad school and boost my resume," Palomo said.

TaReva Warrick-Stone is looking forward to traveling to Thailand with a fellowship from the organization Princeton in Asia, for opportunities for cultural exchange and the teaching experience.

"I wanted some adventure and a break from academia. Teaching is one career I'm interested in pursuing for the future and this is a good way to try it and see if I can fill the

role," Warrick-Stone said.

She added that she hopes her role as teacher will allow her to network, potentially opening doors to future careers after her fellowship is done.

"My goal is to get connected and familiar with the community in which I'm teaching English and be able to do volunteer community and development work if needed. Hopefully, this experience will lead to some future opportunities to work in international public health, another area of study and career option I'm exploring" she said.

One of the most common themes among seniors' responses was a desire to use an English teaching job as an opportunity to escape the continuity of US

academic life in pursuit of the unknown.

"I'm just not ready to live a nine-to-five American life. I think the possibilities and open-ended planning is the most exciting part because I have no idea what will happen. I'm scared about not having my friends and family, but I'm not letting that dictate my future," Miltenberger said.

Justice is looking forward to the independence and growth that a job in a foreign culture can provide.

"The teaching experience will be very challenging, especially while integrating into a new culture, but I want a challenge. Traveling, even when it has been hard, has never been a mis-

take and always taught me more about myself than any other experience," she said.

Mia Palomo summed up her feelings.

"I'm most excited to be a part of a different kind of academic community, and to live in Spain not as a tourist or as a student. But, I'm most nervous about being lonely," she said.

As these graduates disperse at the end of their college careers to Southeast Asia, Western Europe, and other distant parts of the globe, they will remain connected by a common language and their desire for adventure, and will undoubtedly rely on their academic preparation at Puget Sound to succeed as English teachers and more.

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encountered a last minute obstacle planning this year's Lu'au dinner when the City of Tacoma refused to accept the school's brand of compostable dishware just days before the event.

"The city said they couldn't take it, so we had to scramble at the last minute to find something else to use," Kyle Egerdal, Sustainable Events Manager said. "It looked gloomy, since we had so little time to procure the necessary items."

This meant coordinating with the recycling facility to locate acceptable items and then placing an order. Unfortunately, the City of Tacoma could not fulfill Egerdal's request for a list of these items.

"As an unfortunate coincidence, we decided to take a look at where we were headed and decided that composting was not in our immediate interest," he said.

Next year, however, Egerdal hopes to make the necessary steps to ensure its composting will occur.

"The issues with dishware should be worked out by then, and we should have a firmer grasp on our goals with regards to sustainability," he said.

The sustainability organization is comprised of 16 students, including 11 sustainability assistants and one coordinator. The managers, including Matt Beman, Egerdal, Kerala Hise, and Amory Genter, oversee a variety of projects on campus, including a worm tent, the campus recycling program, various research projects and residence move-out in the spring.

Anyone interested in receiving help with planning a sustainable event on campus can contact Egerdal at kegerdal@ups.edu.



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Lu'au: Students and staff performed various dances and songs while at the lu'au. In all, nearly 1,000 students were in attendance at the annual dinner. This year's Lu'au marked the 39th anniversary of the University tradition.

ASUPS unveils budget

BY MIKE KNAPE
NEWS WRITER

The 60 plus clubs on campus will face significantly tighter budgets next year, as the ASUPS budget for 2009 is around \$20,000 less than last year. When this issue of *The Trail* went to print, the final ASUPS budget was slated to be voted on by the Senate on April 23. The budget for the 2010 fiscal year culminates almost a month of work by the ASUPS Budget Committee that began on April 1.

"With a significantly lower and tighter budget than last year, that has sadly forced us to tighten budgets across the board. We had less money to give to ASUPS clubs and organizations, and therefore clubs may find their budgets slightly lower than last year," Chloe Horner, ASUPS Director of Business Services, said.

The tightened budget is due to two main reasons. First, ASUPS are budgeting based on a very conservative esti-

mate of enrollment next fall. ASUPS receives most of its finances through the \$195 dollar Student Government Fee built into every student's tuition cost, so fewer students leads to a smaller budget.

"Institutions around the nation are doing this currently for enrollment because we are not sure what enrollment numbers will be like next year," Horner said.

Lower interest rates nationwide also have an effect on the budget as ASUPS gets a smaller return on its capital investments.

"We are budgeting for less interest capital because interest rates are low — somewhere around \$10,000-\$15,000 less than say, three years ago," Horner said.

A number of factors are considered when the budget committee creates individual club budgets, including the number of members and activities, as well as their past use of their budget. Consistency is a key component in the Committee's decision.

Security Report

The following incidents occurred on campus and were reported to Security Services between April 14 and April 20:

- A professor's personal Compaq lap top computer was stolen from her unattended and unsecured office in the Science Center.
- Two students had their back-packs and personal belongs (wallet, iPod, MacBook Pro lap top computer) stolen from the Theatre while they were rehearsing. The items were left unattended and unsecured.
- Security staff responded to a complaint from a resident assistant about marijuana use in Todd/Phibbs hall. Security contacted and questioned a resident in the hall.
- Two students had their lap top computers (an HP and a Dell) and personal items (cellular phone and iPod) stolen from their suite in Trimble Hall. The suite door was left unlocked.
- Two students had their lap top computers (both MacBook Pro's), iPods, head phones, and back packs stolen from a room in Todd/Phibbs hall where they were left unsecured.
- Security staff contacted a student for operating his vehicle in a reckless manner on N. Lawrence Street.

• Courtesy of Todd A. Badham, Director of Security Services

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New developments in Afghan law shock international community

BY ISABELLE EYRE
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An Afghan law passed in February is making headlines around the world for one of its provisions that ostensibly amounts to legalized conjugal rape. In effect, the law allows a man to demand sex from his wife whenever he wants, unless it would have serious medical ramifications. If she does not comply, he has the right to withhold food from her.

The Shia Family Law, signed by President Hamid Karzai, will affect the 6 million Shia Muslim followers in the country, and officials claim the law denotes distinctions between the Sunni and Shia sects of Islam.

Other controversial aspects of the law include provisions that limit a woman's ability to seek employment or even leave her house without her husband's permission. To Western ears, perhaps is a clause giving a husband the right to demand that his wife put on makeup or dress up. This provision seems paradoxical in its embrace of what

is traditionally considered to be Western, licentious vanity.

Wednesday, Ap. 15 saw a protest of about two hundred women in Afghanistan's capital city, Kabul. A counter protest of between eight hundred and one thousand men stood in the street shouting them down.

The Afghan constitution clearly states that men and women are equal, which is the main question of legality that the religious law is facing. Religion obviously plays a crucial role in the debate as it always does in questions of marriage. But should religion have a monopoly on marriage?

I do not presume to judge or condemn religious customs when they are an actual choice. The ability to choose one's religious beliefs and customs, as long as they do not inflict direct harm on other people, should be a universal human right.

Of course, real life is far more complicated and messy than the theoretical view that I am presenting here: religions conflict and being indoctrinated into something from birth

with no other alternatives blurs the line of choice considerably.

Beyond the details of this new Afghan law, beyond the myriad of problems and issues that are brought to the light of day by its existence, there is one in particular that stands out and can be easily applied to American life and the rest of the world: the ability to have one's own point of view.

If we ignore the abhorrent details and implications of the law, the human rights violations it contains and its seemingly medieval attitude towards women, that is what this law boils down to: people are not able to choose what marriage means to them.

Perhaps some Afghan women believe it is their duty through marriage to submit to their husbands' sexual desires. They would not be the first to view marriage as a vehicle for legitimized procreation.

It is the fact that this would be a legal requirement for all women, that I find so disturbing about the law. By virtue of existing, it destroys the po-

tential for married couples in Afghanistan to define marriage in their own terms.

In fact, I believe it is very similar to the struggle over gay marriage in our own country. The tug of war between religious groups and gay rights activists is over what defines marriage.

Marriage is an anomaly: it is the one universally accepted form of legitimate connection between people who aren't related by blood. The Afghan women may not wish to give up their rights as individuals, but marriage is also their only means of financial security and, within their religion, it is the only moral way to have children and be good Muslims.

I pose the question, then: does any one culture or faith have the right to define marriage? It has certainly evolved from its origins of being a means to insure the paternity of a man's child and being a simple business transaction, as it was in Europe for hundreds of years.

Since it has changed so much since its inception, it is not fair for traditionalists to cite the ageless, time-honored tradition of marriage as never having changed.

I hope that this controversial law, in addition to bringing about more liberal change in the lives of Afghan women by being struck down and condemned by the international community, also raises the issue of religious sanctioning of marriage. I believe that religious institutions have the full right to place limits on what a marriage is and define it in whatever way they deem necessary, but I also respect that marriage has grown out of the box that is religious dogma.

Afghanistan is obviously a virtual theocracy, because of the rigid religious control the authorities have over what a state-administered marriage license means. Whether or not this bill is overturned will mark a huge turning point in Afghanistan's political future backsliding or moving forward.

Finding a scapegoat:

Who is to blame for problems of our generation?

BY HARRY YU
OPINIONS WRITER

I was scanning my home page on Facebook and came upon an interesting status update. It read: "F*** you Fox News. You are what's wrong with this country. How the F*** do you feel righteous enough to call Mr. Rogers evil? America (and the world) would be better off if you all died and went to hell." The status update then provided a link directly to a clip of Fox News slamming Mr. Rogers for giving our generation and others a sense of entitlement by telling us, "You are special."

Therefore everything that is wrong with our generation is Mr. Rogers' fault. Yeah, right.

People who do not want to deal with the truth will always blame others.

Because I consider Fox News to be a terrible news outlet, I am not surprised by their backward thinking. People who do not want to deal with the truth will always blame others. I am quite familiar with the argument as to why our generation is messed up compared to others: an outside source is always the reason, be it Mr. Rogers, violent movies or video games. Hell, I'll bet a few years from now Fox News will be running a story about how Elmo drove the millions of children who grew up with *Sesame*

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Working towards a new phenomenon: eliminating gender

The mission of The Institute for Ethics and Emerging Technologies (IEET) is to benefit mankind by capitalizing on technological advances. Now on the agenda: postgenderism

BY ADIA WHITE
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Whether it is apparent or not, gender discrimination has been a problematic issue in all societies. While none of us get to choose our sex, the course of our lives and our relation to others are greatly determined by the gender binary.

Despite the constraint that gender may place on our lives, gender is an obvious and necessary part of life. A society where gender simply does not exist seems only plausible in science fiction novels. Or at least it used to.

The Institute for Ethics and Emerging Technologies (IEET) is a non-profit organization run by a board of renowned scientists from across the globe that dedicates itself to applying

emerging technology to benefit mankind. Their newest project is postgenderism.

Postgenderism is a social and scientific movement that believes that gender should be eliminated from our society. As absurd as this seems, the reasoning and science behind their ideas are relatively sound.

In their article, "Postgenderism, Beyond the Gender Binary" Dvarky and Hughes (PhDs and members of IEET) explain that gender has caused many setbacks in society's progress.

Pregnancy leave and the glass ceiling hold women back in American society today more than people recognize due to the distance we have come since it was illegal for women to even work or vote.

The gender binary functions as a restraint on men as

well. Social expectations lead to shorter life spans than those of women, as men are more likely to take health risks and are expected to fight in combat.

Gendered brains also play a significant role in inhibiting progress. Females are twice as likely to suffer from anxiety, depression, eating disorders and post-traumatic stress disorder. Males on the other hand are much more prone to Autism, aggression and ADD.

According to IEET, science will soon be able to eliminate the aspects of the brain that cause these illnesses to be more prone in certain genders. Eliminating these factors would help us progress toward androgyny of the brain.

The science behind androgynizing the human brain is complicated, but essentially it could be done by regulating neu-

rotransmitters with medication as well as decreasing or increasing testosterone and estrogen levels.

Androgynizing the body would be relatively simple in comparison to the brain. We already have the technology to change genders and it would not be that difficult to androgynize the body as well. Artificial wombs would be used for reproduction so that no individual would have to be set back by pregnancy.

IEET reasons that individuals should be able to choose to rid themselves of gender. Gender has been rendered unnecessary to society by technology and inhibits progress, so choosing to androgynize would benefit mankind.

While their reasoning is sensible, it is hard not to feel that the elimination of gender is too unnatural. Then again what in

our society really can be considered natural anymore? Technology has already revolutionized mankind. Intelligence is the way in which humans are able to survive and if what we create with our intelligence is not natural, then nothing we do is. However, I do not believe that eliminating gender should be done in order to achieve equality. People are naturally competitive and they will always find a way to categorize and rank. Even if this categorization could be done by merit, unfair oppression of the lesser ranks would still exist. Still, postgenderism should not be tossed out as mere insanity. If individuals wish to be freed from much of the constraints that gender causes and technology has the ability to do so, humanity should accept androgyny as an option for some.

Today in
Trail History 1960

J. M. Howell, Supervisor of Curriculum Guides and Courses of Study for the State of Washington, called the Darwinian Evolutionary theory "unacceptable."

1961

Puget Sound offers more efficient registration process using IBM equipment to handle paperwork previously done by staff members.

Marketing strategy underway: from UPS to Puget Sound

BY LAURA FRASER
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It was recently brought to my attention that the Puget Sound administration may limit the amount of merit-based aid afforded to students who want to study abroad, in light of the recent label changing efforts. When I tried to gain more information on the matter, my questions were diverted and left unanswered by the time this went to press.

I understand that our school is in a tight financial situation, as it is in line with the rest of the country right now. If true, this is a devastatingly poor call on the part of the governing bodies of this university.

Apparently we are supposed to refer to our school as "Puget Sound" now, instead of the UPS we've known for years. I think the administration is aiming for a catchy, more liberal-arts sounding name that can hold its own against Whitman, Reed or the other pres-

tigious Pacific Northwest schools with singular nomenclatures.

It is a good idea, but when I heard about the switch, all I could think of was the massive discounts there would be in the bookstore. Anyone with a sweatshirt or mug that has the three letters on it will suddenly own a collector's item. Students will not have to explain that they do not, in fact, work for the United Parcel Service when discussing their school or giving out their email addresses.

However, the money being used to revamp the face of this campus is most likely being drawn out of places that still need it. Students who are afforded merit-based aid will probably have a slimmer chance of getting to go abroad, since the money used to help them is being directed elsewhere. It is not just the students who are given aid either. Study abroad programs are being examined and downsized, in some cases, to cut costs.

Studying abroad was one of the most important aspects of

my four years in college, and to bar certain individuals from that opportunity is unconscionable.

College is not just about academics and the courses you take. There's the crucial aspect of emotional education, of self-growth and discovery, which is often hard to achieve strictly within the confines of this small campus. Attending school here is like living in a tightly knit family: it provides you with a lot of support, but there isn't really anywhere to hide, and sometimes it is healthy to get away for a while.

I went to Rome for a semester during my junior year. During my time there, I learned more about myself than I had throughout college to that point. Taking you out of your comfort zone and throwing you into a foreign country provides the opportunity for some serious self-examination. When you are outside the bubble of UPS, or Puget Sound rather, you are often forced to stretch in ways that would not

have been necessary otherwise.

Although I do believe that this change to "Puget Sound" may make this school more marketable and I can see where the administration is coming from. I can't help but think that it seems like a superficial makeover. Some of the more important issues are being shoved aside or ignored in order to transform the face of UPS. In the long run, more students may attend, thereby increasing the pool of parents and alumni that the Link can hit up for donations. But for now, this situation seems absurd.

There will probably be glossy pamphlets in the Office of Admissions sometime in the near future. They might even get really wild and crazy and put the emblazoned "Puget Sound" in a different font. But is it worth it? Will the people looking through the pamphlet (which will probably be filled with students playing Ultimate Frisbee in the sun,) realize that it was produced at the expense of students? Personally, I

would rather receive information on a piece of recycled paper if I knew it meant that every student was getting the help and opportunities that he or she needed.

Without an emotional education, we would still be the same people we were in high school. For many, myself included, this aspect of personal growth is stimulated when outside the boundaries of this school. I do not think we can legitimately say that this school is making a complete transformation for the better if it is prohibiting some students from having every option to have their semester abroad.

As a student who has had to hear "What Can Brown Do for You?" Jokes for the past 4 years, I understand the motives behind the label-change effort. Unfortunately, if study abroad money is cut to make this superficial change, the new students here may have to answer that bad joke with, "Not as much as it used to."

Obey the law, pay your taxes

BY SAM STOOKESBERRY
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Ah, April. The trees start to bloom, school draws nearer to summer break and pot-smokers gather for their sacred holiday. What's not to love? Income Taxes.

Although many students at Puget Sound still have their hands in the parental piggy bank, the rest of the nation hunkered down on April 15 and sent a portion of their hard-earned money to their drunken Uncle Sam.

And while nobody likes paying taxes, we accept it as our responsibility as Americans. Some people even argue that paying taxes is more than just an annual burden; rather, it is a true act of patriotism.

This sentiment was first voiced by Joe Biden during the race for the White House, and echoed later by others, including an April 15 op-ed piece on CNN.com by the network's resident Democratic windbag, Paul Begala.

Patriotism is most often defined as the love of one's country. I love my country and I bet you do too. If you didn't, why would you still be here?

But when I say I love my country, I am talking about the American people, the natural beauty of places like the Rocky Mountains, and the freedoms that our founding fathers secured for us.

Sadly, my love of country becomes resigned toleration when it comes the United States government.

It is not because I love the Department of Motor Vehicles, nor that I love paying the salary of corrupt government officials that I pay my taxes. I pay my taxes because it's the law. So does most everybody else. If paying taxes stemmed from patriotism, it would be voluntary, like our military.

One thing Americans do voluntarily give up is time and money for charities and non-profit organizations. Each year millions of Americans donate time and money to charitable organizations.

That pint of blood you donated just saved 3 lives in Washington hospitals, while a portion of your income tax revenue will be used for the purchase of a fleet of new golf carts for bureaucrats thousands of miles away.

Obviously, some of your taxes go towards necessary govern-

ment functions, but volunteering time and money to those in need is what is truly patriotic.

Suddenly, Joe Biden is not looking so patriotic anymore. His 2008 tax documents reveal that the former senator donated a whopping 0.69% of his income to charity. Oh Joe, why so stingy?

The average American donates 2.5% of his/her income to charity, and politicians, aware of public scrutiny, tend to give even more. Sarah Palin, whose salary as governor is significantly smaller than Biden's, gave more to charity in two years than Biden gave in a span of eight years.

In fact, a 2000 study found that the poorest American households, those earning less than \$20,000 a year, gave an average of 4.6% of their income to charity, according to portfolio.com.

When compared to the charity of Sarah Palin, Vice President Scrooge's charitable giving, or lack thereof, is symbolic of a trend across the country.

According to Arthur Brooks, Director of the Nonprofit Studies Program at Syracuse University, those who identify themselves as conservatives on average give much more money to charity, despite earning less money.

So please, enough with the greedy conservatives rhetoric already.

What can we learn from Joe Biden's meager charitable giving? Perhaps a true patriot is not one who pays money into his own salary, but one who gives to those around him.

Whether it is money, time, or services, each of us can be more generous with what we have. Puget Sound offers many avenues through which one can become involved with worthy groups, many of them in the surrounding community.

So get involved with charity. It is truly the patriotic thing to do.

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Street or the Muppets to fail as adults because they need the Count's help with basic math.

If any parents are reading this and want to know who to blame for their kids' behavior, take a look in the mirror. Take a more active role in what your children are doing with their time. For quite some time, critics of our generation have blamed video games for children turning out how the way they have. But guess what: the games have always received an M rating, which is equivalent to an R rating for a movie.

Would you let your twelve-year-old watch a rated R movie by himself? Probably not. So why would a parent let his or her twelve year old play a rated M game, considering that the only way the child can get it is if an

adult purchases it for him? One answer: parents are not putting enough time into their kids.

That time is not just spent interacting with the child, it is having some idea of what the child is interested in. If that means browsing the Internet, so be it.

I find it interesting that during the Fox News segment, the reporters say that college students who get bad grades blame the professor instead of themselves. That seems to be what quite a few parents do as well: blame someone else for their own failings.

Blame Mr. Rogers because he told children they're special and within his allotted half hour, did not teach those kids how to be responsible, polite people. Teaching integrity and responsibility is a parent's job and should not be left up to a TV show.

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TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

The Latest From Technology Services

• WELCOME, NWCCU REACCREDITATION TEAM!

We hope you enjoy the Technology Services section of the self-study report (pages 223-230!) prepared for this week's review by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities and posted at ups.edu/reaccreditation.

• WAY TO GO, PAUL WICKS!

Paul, a TS student employee and graduating CS major, has been accepted to the Google Summer of Code (see code.google.com/soc). Paul will work on porting the Chrome Web browser to a Mac platform.

• LAST CHANCE TO STAB US

The Student Technology Advisory Board will have its last meeting of the semester Thursday, April 30, at 4:30 PM in SUB 204. Bring your comments about campus technology or e-mail Josh Pelz, the ASUPS Director of Technology Services, at asupsdts@ups.edu.

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Associated Students Report

Relay for Life

• Begins today. The ASUPS team's goal for Relay is to have a student-representative walking from all teams at all times.

If you have not yet joined a team, come join the rest of the student body on Baker Stadium at 6 P.M. today.

• The ASUPS Senate is convening for the last time next week. Please join us for these meetings in the Murray Boardroom Lounge on Tuesday and in the Murray Boardroom (directly behind Diversions Café) on Thursday.

For more information, visit asups.ups.edu.

1951

The Hatchet tradition continues. On a Tuesday night the hatchet gets thrown from an Anderson Hall window to be caught and then smuggled away by the juniors.

1952

Puget Sound implements a new policy of chapel attendance for the student body. "A record of convocation attendance will be kept for each student," Dean Regester said.

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Hey You...

Wanna submit a Hey You? Email trailheyyou@ups.edu or put one in the box in the cellar.

Rules:

- No reference to drug or alcohol use
- No references to identifiable people
- No excessive use of foul language

"HEY YOU, SUB, carrots are orange not yellow."

"HEY YOU, ASUPS! Please consider finding someone competent to edit the Tattler so we can avoid looking illiterate to prospective students."

"HEY YOU, oompaloompa, stop trying to grind my shit!"

"HEY YOU, sexy IPE girl with the dark brown curls, I'd let you and your boots walk all over me."

"HEY YOU, I thought you were keeping your skype sessions where you stand on your desk naked to Thurs. only. WTF?"

"HEY YOU, Harrington floor 1, we only

have three weekends left to defy the Residential system! Hood rats fo' Lyfe!"

"HEY YOU, guy with 3 generic names, I dig yo' style. I'll be your gladiator."

"HEY YOU, snitches get stitches."

"HEY YOU, garbonzo girl, we steal many things, but you stole my heart. I hope you're super comfy. Cause I can see you your ear from way over here!"

"HEY YOU, cute soccer boy. You need to leave Pi Phi earlier than 6am. Planet Earth does not take that long."

"HEY YOU, Trail Cream, you've been awesome this semester!"

"HEY YOU, when you've got the body, quit holding out on me by keeping your shirt on at all times!"

"HEY YOU, thanks for remembering we existed. It's been fun having you back."

"HEY YOU, cellar girl from santa cruz, can I take a cruise on your body sometime?"

"HEY YOU, you have the biggest body ever. Thanks for smokingusallout. Wemissyou."

"HEY YOU, Diversions and Oppenheimer. Soy milk should be free. It's not my fault I'm lactose-intolerant. Why should I have to pay more for a latte?"

"HEY YOU, Jewish soccer boy. I hear you are a freak in bed. You should teach me a lesson in sex-ed."

"HEY YOU, Theta new members! I like you."

"HEY YOU, TPB RA, how come you don't serenade us through the wall?"

"HEY YOU, classmate, please stop asking me out! I have a boyfriend and you're making me want to say yes!"

"HEY YOU, Roomie, let's take another awkward picture with the ass-out-lean-in. I'm glad we passed that stage. XO."

"HEY YOU, south 8th vampire, get off my neck...please."

"HEY YOU, Seth Rogan look-alike in the Cellar. You're super-sexy. We should be friends."

"HEY YOU, Roomie, I like it when you talk about milk in your sleep. Do it more often."

"HEY YOU, when I groped your thigh did you want KFC or lemonade?"

"HEY YOU, King's Cup with wine...never again will you tear down the tripod."

"HEY YOU, let's hot blanket this weekend bc I kind of like you."

"HEY YOU, smiley, call me, I'm the nearest thing to Aphrodite."

"HEY YOU, wonderly, I wish you lived in my dorm room!"

"HEY YOU, summer boy, I'm still waiting for you to make a move!"

"HEY YOU, I picked that bouquet for you. But since I can't give it to you, I gave it to a tree. I miss you."

"HEY YOU, costa rica crewie, if we made porn people would buy it."

"HEY YOU, macho co-worker who left early for Beer Olympics. I'll cry over Where the Red Fern Grows with you anyday."

"HEY YOU, happy 21, tattoo buddy. Get started on your alphabet list."

"HEY YOU, sexy South African. I'll travel down south with you any day."

"HEY YOU, 3BG, how those dry sockets doing?"

"HEY YOU, cute ice cream server at the cellar, you can check me out playing Frisbee anytime!"

"HEY YOU, H-1 bestie, let's get shitty... minus the shit show."

"HEY YOU, I miss having conundrums with you."

"HEY YOU, I like you cuz your crazy BITCH! Ah!"

"HEY YOU, Frisbee, I love you!"

"HEY YOU, house for this summer, I need you. So Hey You me back if you want me."

"HEY YOU, 4th floor library by the cage, tomorrow 8pm. B.Y.O.C."

"HEY YOU, long legged law enforcer from Harrington, our love is undeniable as the sweet tang of rhubarb and sugar."

"HEY YOU coxie, you make our boat fly! We will make that race our b****!"

"HEY YOU, tall, skinny boy. Please don't leave UPS. I really want to get to know you better."

"HEY YOU, catty blonde girl: No, you don't know who I am. Try finding another suspect for the paper towel vandal."

"HEY YOU, library girl, I like the feather in your hair."

"HEY YOU, it's spring. Take a chance. Feel the love."

"HEY YOU, I doubt you could've given me an orgasm anyway."

"HEY YOU, when you sang at the opera, I almost creamed myself."

"HEY YOU, if it's not rough it isn't fun."

"HEY YOU, hot shot tennis player. You can tattoo my body any day..."

"HEY YOU, Expy boy, every time I see you my heart skips a beat-do you know CPR, because I might need you to resuscitate me sometime..."

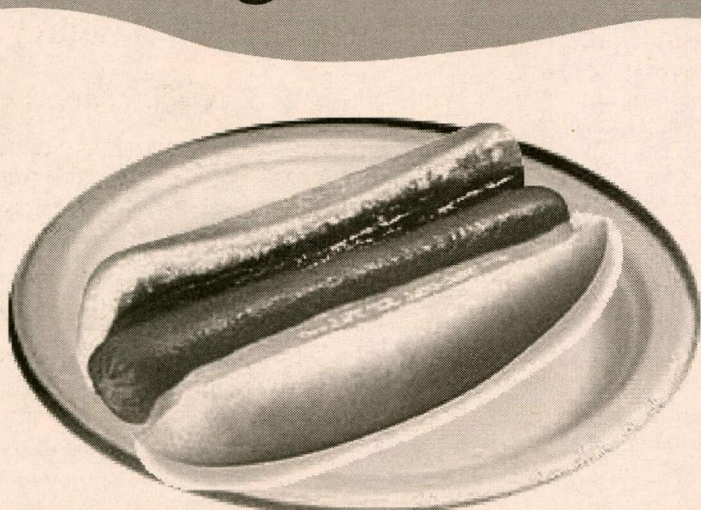
"HEY YOU, it's effing great that 420 is landing on mmluu-skis."

"HEY YOU, housemate, Yuck. GAG!"

"HEY YOU, I'm glad you're finally turning 21!"

"HEY YOU, you are fantastic and smell nicely."

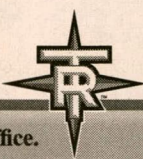
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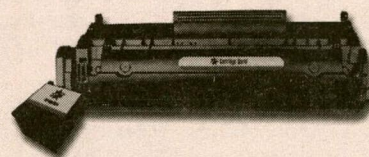
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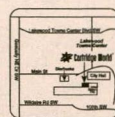
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Loggers stand tall against conference opponent Bruins

BY DAVID SKOLNIK
SPORTS WRITER

The George Fox Bruins made the trip to Tacoma on May 18 for a weekend series against the Puget Sound Loggers. The Loggers got solid pitching in the first game of the weekend against the #21 Bruins and split the Saturday doubleheader 1-1.

In the first game Puget Sound struck early when sophomore Dakota Resnik (Bellevue, Wash.) scored after an error by the Bruins. The Loggers extended their lead to 3-0 in the third as freshmen Will Mentor (Seattle, Wash.) drove in junior Mark Rockey (Mountlake Terrace, Wash.) and junior Travis Hernandez (Burlington, Wash.).

The Bruins drew to within 3-1 in the top of the fifth, but in the bottom of the inning the Loggers scored four more runs to re-establish a comfortable margin. The inning was highlighted by a three-run homer from freshman Matt Cox (Salem, Ore.). The Bruins mustered a mini comeback in the late innings but the Loggers held on for the 7-5 win.

Junior Tim Fogarty (Pacifica, Calif.) got the win for the Loggers, pitching seven innings and giving up four runs on nine hits. Sophomore Cam Duvall (Lake-wood, Wash.) picked up his first save of the season for Puget Sound.

"Their team is full of good hitters, but I stuck with the game plan that my coach and I set up for the game and executed it. After the game I was very excited that we took a game away from the best team in the conference

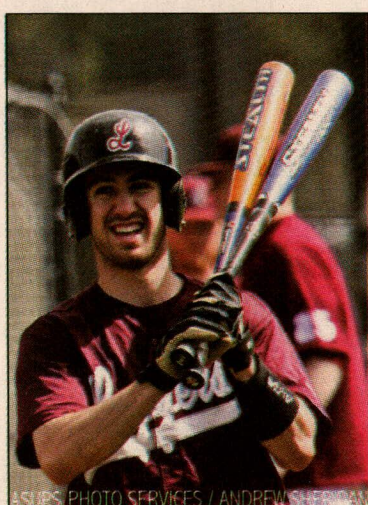


and that we started the series off on the right foot" Fogarty said.

Loggers' junior pitcher James Lane (Silverdale, Wash.) stumbled out of the gate in the second game, falling behind 9-1 after two innings. He settled down and allowed only one more run in the next three innings but the 9-1 deficit proved too much for Puget Sound to recover from as they lost the game by a final score of 15-2.

With the weather as good as it had been all year, the Loggers took the field on Sunday to finish up their series against George Fox. Although sun was shining, the Bearcats rained on the Loggers' parade, sending Puget Sound home with two heartbreaking losses.

In the first game the Loggers got on the board first when



Above: The Loggers stand as they watch the game unfold.
Below: Dakota Resnik readies himself for his turn at the plate

Resnik scored on an RBI by Mentor. Later in the inning Matt Cox hit a sacrifice fly that drove in junior Doug Cox (Kailua, Hawaii). The Bearcats scored a run in the bottom of the inning before the Loggers put another run on the board in the top of the second to take a 3-1 lead.

The Bruins took a 4-3 lead in the top of the fifth but the Loggers answered back in the bottom of the sixth when sophomore Gregg Ringold (Los Altos Hills, Calif.) drove in sophomore David Thirlby (Seattle, Wash.) to tie the score at four runs apiece. The Loggers seemed to have the momentum heading into the seventh and final inning but it was George Fox who struck for three runs in the top of the inning and pulled out the win 7-4. The Loggers didn't hang their

heads after the tough loss. They regrouped and jumped out to an early lead in the final game of the series. After a huge home run from Rockey in the bottom of the second the Loggers had a 6-2 lead and looked like they were going to come away with a win.

The Bruins got a run in the top of the fourth but the Loggers answered back with a run of their own as Doug Cox scored on an RBI by Ringold. The Bruins continued to fight back in the sixth, scoring three more runs to draw within 7-6, then tying the game at seven apiece in the top of the seventh.

The game went into extra innings when the Loggers didn't get a run across in the bottom of the seventh. After their furious comeback the Bruins had all of the momentum heading into the eighth inning. They scored a run in the top of the inning and it proved to be the winning run as they got the victory by a final score of 8-7.

The chances for a playoff run may be slim to none for this young Loggers squad, but there is no quit in this team.

"I was impressed with the way we played. Even though our playoff hopes are withdrawn we still show up and play competitive baseball. It's good to see everyone continue to fight and play good baseball despite the lack of senior leadership," Doug Cox said.

The Loggers will host British Columbia on Wednesday in the final home game of the season. The team will travel across town next weekend for a four-game series against Pacific Lutheran University.

Puget Sound lacrosse finishes season shy of playoffs

BY CHRIS DUGOVICH
SPORTS WRITER

Last weekend, the women's lacrosse team capped off a successful 2009 season with two wins at home on Peyton Field. On Saturday, April 18, the ladies faced off against Pacific, defeating them 21-15 before beating Linfield 18-11 on Sunday.

The Loggers came into their last weekend of play looking to make a lasting impression. Surging through the first half, Puget put Pacific away early and ended their hopes at winning their final game of the season.

Puget Sound outscored Pacific 13-7 in the first half with help from seniors Jessica Knight (Portland, Ore.) and Katie Schlesinger (Lake Oswego, Ore.), who each scored seven goals over the course of the game.

In the second half, Pacific looked to make a comeback with a flurry of scores that rivaled the Loggers'. Lilia Lee, Savannah McClendon, Erin Bayne and Monica Smith combined to score the 15 goals for the Boxers in the comeback effort. Despite the scores from the NWC rivals, sophomore goalkeeper Ana Calciano (Farmington, Conn.) had a season-high 25 saves against the Boxers.

Another top performance came from Anna Gunder-son (Bloomington, Minn.) who scored two goals, as well as Elizabeth Butt (Eugene, Ore.), Kristine Morris (Tibu-

ron, Calif.), Sofia Lama (Laguna Niguel, Calif.), Katie Pavlat (Eugene, Ore.), and Cathy Soukup (Los Alamitos, Calif.) who each scored one.

Both teams finished with 46 shots apiece. Puget Sound held a 20-12 advantage in ground balls and a 14-13 edge in draw controls.

On Sunday, the action continued at Peyton Field for the women's lacrosse team with the added excitement of Senior Day. The beautiful spring day seemed to empower the Loggers, who defeated their NWC rivals for the second time this season.

"It will be hard to let go of four amazing seniors who are one of the reasons the lacrosse program has been able to develop over the past four years. They helped all the individuals on the team become better players and really brought leadership onto the field," Sofia Lama said.

Lama continued to dominate the Wildcats the way she did earlier in the season, leading Puget Sound with seven goals on the Sunday afternoon. Lama was also a thorn in the Wildcats' side when the two teams first faced each other in early March, scoring 11 times to lead the Loggers to a seven-goal victory in McMinnville.

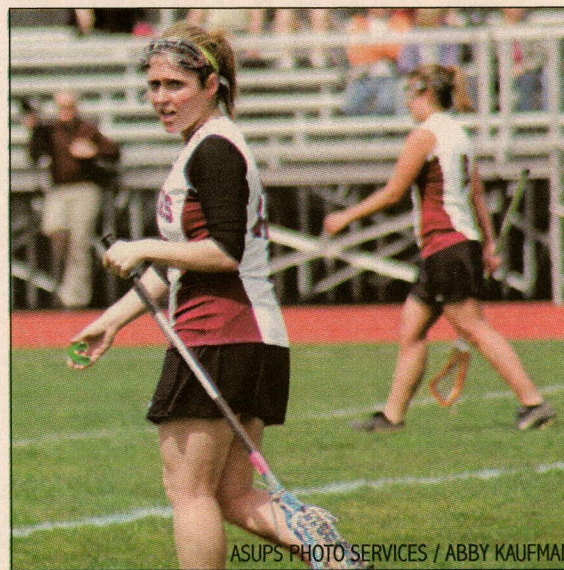
Puget Sound jumped in front 10-5 during the opening 30 minutes on their way to their tenth win in twelve starts.

In her final collegiate performance, Jessica Knight added

four goals to cap off the victory. Playing another excellent game at goalkeeper, Calciano also aided the effort with 15 saves. The Loggers out-shot the Wildcats by a 2-to-1 margin, 52-26.

The Loggers finished the season with a 10-2 record and the 22nd ranked scoring offense in the nation.

Our record was similar to last year, which proves that we have remained a strong team, however my teammates and myself would like to be able to take it to the next level and play in the play-offs, so our ultimate goal is to get a bid to the playoffs for the first time as a program," Lama said.



Top: Kibby Berry (Englewood, Colo.) looks to pass to an open teammate. **Bottom Left:** Senior Katie Schlesinger (Lake Oswego, Ore.) glances to the sidelines. **Bottom Right:** A face-off between teams.

Men rowers sweep, coach earns honors

BY AMANDA GEHRIS
COPY EDITOR

Puget Sound rowing headed to Lake Stevens, Wash., this past Saturday, April 18, to compete in the Northwest Collegiate Rowing Conference Championships, and returned home with a first place standing from the men and a second place standing from the women.

Men's rowing had a hugely successful day at NCRCs: not only did they win the NCRC banner with a sweep of every race, but the men's varsity head coach Tyler Thirloway was awarded Coach of the Year for men's crew.

The men's first win of the day came from the varsity eight with a time of 6:32.16, finishing ahead of Western by 6.01 seconds.

That boat opened up the day for the men and gave them a momentum that never stopped, even as rowers headed into their second races.

Next for the men came the men's second four, who brought the win over the finish line in 7:21.08.

Then in the men's pair event, rowers finished first, a good 13 seconds ahead of the second place pair from Lewis & Clark.

The first novice men's race of the day was a tighter one, with Puget Sound winning a narrow 1.15 seconds ahead of the Lewis & Clark boat, but it still marked the fourth gold of the day for the Loggers.

The varsity men's last race of the day was in their four, and they sprinted away from the rest of the pack for a finish that was almost a full 10 seconds ahead of the Western Washington boat, who came in second, and nearly 20 seconds ahead of the third place crew from Lewis & Clark.

The novice men closed up the day with their first eight and a time of 7:16.80, stealing away the sixth and final gold in the men's races.

Puget Sound women's crew fell to rivals Western Washington on Saturday. The previous weekend, they had come within half of a second of taking Western's crew in the top eight and had beat Western's second eight, but Western came back strong at NCRCs and stole the banner.

In the first race of the day, the varsity women's second eight finished a close 1.7 seconds behind western's boat,

giving everything they had in a final sprint for the last 300 meters. They finished with a time of 7:28.00, 21.15 seconds ahead of the Willamette crew.

The varsity women's top eight also finished second to Western with a time of 7:32.79, 8.25 seconds behind the Vikings.

The novice women came out for their first race of the day with their second four, who crossed the finish line at 8:46.57, second to Western's time of 8:18.47.

The next boat to race was the varsity women's second four, who were the third place finishers with a time of 8:25.28, and the only women's crew of the day to finish ahead of Western, and by a slim .78 seconds.

Sophomore coxswain Elizabeth Milam (Pleasanton, Calif.) described the race as having, "Perfect water, great connection, and intense speed, not to mention an incredibly high and solid rate." The boat had lost to Western the previous weekend, but had come out to NCRCs determined.

"We were looking to close the gap between us and Western and we wound up beating them," Milam said.

In the next race, the women's pair brought back another third place finish with a time of 8:54.55.

The novice women's second race of the day was the fours race, and Puget Sound finished fourth with a time of 8:23.89.

Soon after, the novice women's top eight came in third in 8:04.64, falling to Western and Humboldt.

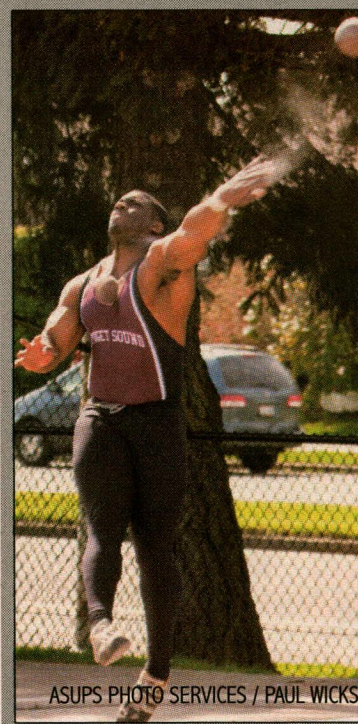
The novice women's top eight finished up the day for the Logger women, bringing in another third place standing behind Western and Humboldt, with a time of 8:00.78.

The women's team tied for second with Willamette, and was awarded the second place standing based off of the results from the signature eight race. They aren't losing any of their drive, however, and have two more weeks to prepare for WIRAs.

"I'm very proud of what we did and am excited to see us improve more and more in our eights," Milam said.

This Saturday, April 25, the Puget Sound Loggers and Pacific Lutheran Lutes compete in the annual Meyer-Lamberth Cup on American Lake in Lakewood, Wash.

Trail Featured Athlete - Alverno Middleton, Track and Field



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Senior Alverno Middleton (Lakewood, Wash.) has been a major source of valuable team points since he won a conference championship his sophomore year.

At the Spike Arlt Invitational last week, Middleton threw a season best in the shot put, well above the preset conference qualifying mark.

In addition to his skills in the shot put ring, Middleton has made himself into a conference qualifying hammer thrower as well. With a top mark of 157'3", Middleton has secured a trip to the conference meet to throw hammer as well as the shot.

With the Northwest Conference Championship meet at hand, Middleton has supreme confidence in his abilities.

"My hard work and dedication help me develop the 'swag'

I need to compete," Middleton said, "and it helps that I was born with dumbbells in my hands."

With three place-finishes in the shot put, two of them championships, it's easy to see why he is sure of himself. At this point, Middleton is looking to make the next big step: the NCAA Division III championships.

"Everyone goes into the conference meet looking for a 'w,' but for me a national qualifying mark will do. I could care less what place I get; I already have a NWC championship," Middleton said.

No matter who the opponent, Middleton's strategy doesn't change: just enter the ring and throw.

"I have a 'next man' kind of mentality. No matter who he is, I've got to be more powerful than the next man," Middleton said.

Softball will return to Tacoma to finish first season under Peterson

BY KYRA FRIEDEL
SPORTS WRITER

The Puget Sound women's softball team visited Portland, Ore., this Saturday, April 18 and Sunday, April 19 to take on the Lewis & Clark Pioneers. The Loggers were successful in what they set out to accomplish: sweeping the Pios Saturday 9-0 and 10-3 then repeating their winning streak Sunday against the George Fox Bruins 4-2 and 14-5. The weekend was particularly monumental for Puget Sound in that no Lewis & Clark players walked. Sophomore Auriel Sperberg (Spanaway, Wash.) and freshman Aryn Grause (Corvallis, Ore.) pitched two solid games totaling 14 strikeouts as well as an impressive two games without any walks.

The freshmen were very successful Saturday with freshman catcher Megan Janes (Littleton, Colo.) leading the Loggers in "at bats" with five in the first game and four in the second. Although Puget Sound did not give up any walks, they did score their first run off of one. Junior Amelia Kurashige-Elliott (Berkeley, Calif.) was given a walk from the Pioneers. She kept her patience, which eventually paid off by scoring Kelsey Scanlan (La Center, Wash.) a run for the Loggers' first point in the second inning. Janes then put three more points on the board and was quickly sent home herself by Grause.

Puget Sound was already up 5-0 by the end of the second inning and had already tacked on two more runs by the top of the third. The final two points were racked up in the seventh inning to leave the Pioneers with seven scoreless innings and the Loggers 12-21 in the NWC.

The rookies were on fire again for the second game as senior Victoria Raeburn (Gladstone, Ore.) singled, sending Grause and Janes home in the first inning to put the Loggers at an early 2-0 advantage. Raeburn once again sent Janes home in the third inning, but the Pioneers were quick to tie the game 3-3 in the third. It wasn't until the fifth that Puget Sound sophomore Carolyn Moore (Seattle, Wash.) helped the Loggers inch ahead. Puget Sound quickly fell back into their groove in the top of the

sixth, putting three more runs on the board and pulling ahead 7-3. Scanlan sealed the deal in the seventh inning, pushing the Loggers to a 10-3 ball game when she knocked a Pioneer pitch out of the park with bases loaded. Once again, freshman Grause enabled the win for the Loggers.

"It was an exciting game because our whole team was involved in the win. Everyone got an at bat this weekend. Andi Doerfinger got her first hit of her collegiate career, Carolyn Moore got her first collegiate home run, and Scanlan got her first home run of the season. It was really amazing that a lot of girls who haven't had an opportunity to score yet this season could do so," Grause said.

The first game Saturday was scoreless until the top of the fifth when Kurashige-Elliott was hit home by Janes. Grause played a strong four games, scoring a triple in the fifth. Meghan Watson (town?) singled to the shortstop, followed by Janes, and finally Grause who advanced her teammates home scoring all of the

four runs for the game in the fifth inning. The Bruins were late to score, but finally gained some momentum, scoring two runs in the sixth and seventh innings.

Puget Sound was quicker on their offensive game in the second match with Janes scoring off a single from Grause in the first inning. The Bruins, unable to match the Loggers' intensity, fell prey to Puget Sound once again in the top of the second as senior Nikki LaFemina (Kennewick, Wash.) sent Scanlan home for the second time that weekend. LaFemina scored herself off a wild pitch which was followed by a run from Hilary Rice (St. Paul, Minn.) off a hit by Janes.

A home run from Raeburn and an additional run made it 8-0 for the Loggers until George Fox finally put together some offensive plays and scored five runs in the fifth. Puget Sound refused to give up any more runs to the Bruins, scoring three more in the fifth and sixth innings leaving the field 14-5. The Loggers play next Saturday against Pacific Lutheran University at noon.



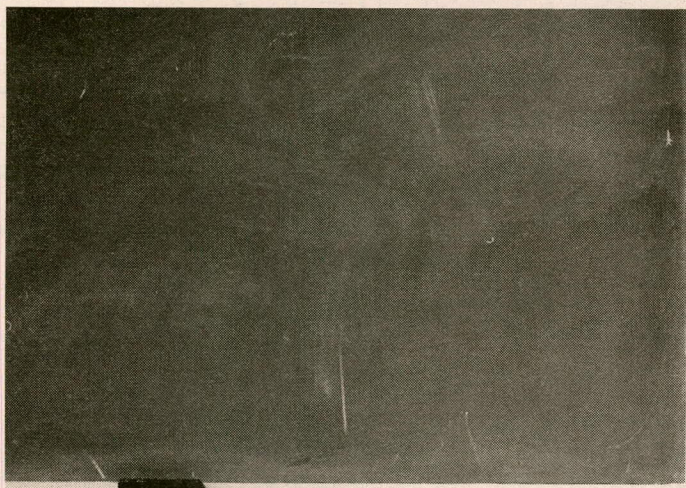
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Senior Victoria Raeburn grabs a thrown ball from the dirt at first base.



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The Puget Sound eight-man team hoists the boat at the NCRC meet.



'A teacher affects eternity'



Between essays, exams and never-ending assignments, it can be hard to remember the people behind our infinite workload. Where would we be without our professors? Here are some stories you never knew about a few of Puget Sound's most brilliant professors.

English, Humanities, Honors Professor Erving brings life, enthusiasm into classes

BY CLAIRE SCHAFFER
FEATURES WRITER

Every time Professor George Erving's hat walks into the classroom, the Indiana Jones theme song begins to play in my head, even though Professor Erving explores a significantly larger amount of British Romantic works than he does Nazi camps and Indian temples. Still, it wouldn't surprise me if he set out to find the Holy Grail, or at least baffled some Nazis with nicely timed Hobbes quotes. Once during his Humanities 301 class, *The Idea of the Self*, he suggested, "The road of excess leads to the palace of wisdom," from Blake's *The*

Marriage of Heaven and Hell as a good party line. Not only does Professor Erving have useful social tips, he also has quite a bit of enthusiasm for good literature.

A passionate reader, he recently had the entire class chuckling as he vigorously enacted the parts of both Manfred and his dead love Astarte from Lord Byron's "Manfred." In the course of the same class, references were made to both Harry Potter and the Rolling Stones to clarify some of Byron's ideas. Humanities 301 is a connections class, and connections seem to come easily to someone with a multitude of different careers and experiences in his past.

Professor Erving grew up in Palo Alto, California with his

stay-at-home mother, his three older siblings, two who rode to school on horseback and his pioneering father who helped invent roadmaps in the U.S. He graduated from Stanford University in 1977 and started a house roofing business. Since he enjoyed business, he left California and got an MBA at the University of Oregon. After graduating, he became an investment manager for a multinational aluminum manufacturer. Professor Erving explained that his job managing domestic and financial investments involved "foreign currency futures, numbers that only differ around the fifth integer after the decimal point and multiple phone lines with shouting bankers."

He married one of these bankers in 1990 and they now have two daughters, Ellen and Carolyn ages 17 and 15 respectively. As exciting as the world of corporate finance was for Professor Erving, the company he worked for was bought out and he chose to change careers so he could be closer to his daughter Sarah, who he had when he was 19 at Stanford. Naturally enough for someone with a business

degree, he took a position as the track and field coach at her high school. At the same time, he competed as a tri-athlete and bi-athlete at the national level, earning a national ranking.

Professor Erving had studied in England while at Stanford and decided to return with his wife for an exploratory vacation. It was while he was on this vacation that Professor Erving visited Oxford University and had what he called "an epiphany;" he wanted to be a teacher. He returned to California for a few years of school and then transferred to St. John's College in New Mexico for an MA in Liberal Studies. He then attended the University of Washington, graduated with an MA in English Literature in 1996 and won a fellowship to study at Cambridge. He moved with his wife and two young daughters to England, where, according to Professor Erving, "We spent two years without a car and sent our two daughters to an English school where the required dress was gingham dresses and boater hats." After the two years ended he completed his PhD and, through what he termed a series of fortunate events he landed a job here at Puget

Sound, where he is currently Associate Professor of Humanities, Honors and English.

Professor Erving has led an incredible life, and we're lucky to have him at Puget Sound. He will be teaching three classes next semester, English 340A: Romantic Poetry, Honors 211A: Literature and the Self, and Humanities 132A: The Scientific and Romantic Revolutions. Although most of you have probably already determined your schedules for next fall, I highly recommend that you take at least one class of his. You don't have to worry about sudden career changes; Professor Erving assured me that he plans on teaching for the rest of his days (Although he did say, "I would have wanted to be a bike messenger in Seattle if I hadn't gotten tenure"). So, unless he decides to abandon us for his R&B band, you'll probably have ample opportunities to learn something new from Professor Erving. His diverse life experiences make him a great professor to talk to about anything and everything, which I suggest you do.



why we love our
profs

• Senior Psychology Major:

I've had so many amazing experiences with professors throughout my four years at Puget Sound. If I absolutely had to choose one I think it would be Professor Mark Reinitz. He has a brilliant mind, truly loves the subject he teaches (especially anything involving illusions) and this enthusiasm for his subject rubs off on all the students. Mark understands the needs of his students, and meeting with him one-on-one for some extra help or advice is never a problem. He is sympathetic, understanding, hilarious and brilliant. All in all, a perfect professor (who loves guitar

hero, and doesn't shy away from expressing his addiction to the game!) who I wish I had gotten to know earlier in my career at Puget Sound.

• Senior Foreign Languages and Literature Major:

Professor Kent Hooper. His teaching style is unique from any professor I have ever encountered. He has changed the entire format of classes before just based on student interest. His knowledge of early 20th century art movements is impressive, and he taught me to question my own views about art. Outside the classroom, he takes a personal interest in students' fu-

tures and tries to impart real world skills, lifting students out of the academic bubble.

• Sophomore IPE major:

By far my favorite professor at Puget Sound is Nick Kontogeorgopoulos. He's an extremely caring professor who puts his students first.

He's very intelligent but never makes his students feel dumb for not knowing something. I've always felt like I can come to him with any questions I have about the class, or to just talk about life. I highly recommend taking a class from him if you get the chance!

From anemone fishes to Puget Sound classes, Elliot inspires



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Biology professor Joel Elliot shows a *Pisaster ochraceus*, commonly known as an ochre sea star, to the author. Elliot won University Professor of Natural Sciences of the Year.

BY MARY KRAUSZER
FEATURES WRITER

With such an impressive new science facility to feature in admissions brochures and flaunt in prospective student tours, Puget Sound's pool of science-oriented applicants is booming. But can the program stand up the sky-high standards set up by the Foucault pendulum and the analemma? With the first-rate science faculty that inhabits Harned Hall as my evidence, I would argue yes. One such faculty is Invertebrate Zoologist and Associate Professor Joel Elliot, whose professional journey tracks him from inland Canada to Professor of the year.

Elliot was born near Edmonton, Alberta, resulting in what he jokingly called a "speech impediment," referring to the Canadian twang that tints his biology lectures. Interestingly, this inland birthplace was to be the origin of an invertebrate zoologist. Elliot attributes his professional journey to the ocean to what he sees as common among marine biologists: "It's the lure of something new and challenging and interesting—different from where I came from."

To pursue this challenge, Elliot attended the University of Alberta in Edmonton where he played varsity hockey for three of his four years. Unfortunately, like many undergraduates, Elliot did not realize his passion for marine biology until after his sophomore year. After taking a few classes in marine biology at the Bamfield Marine Station, he changed his major from geology to biology, deciding that looking at living things was "just that much more exciting." This was the move that ended Elliot's career with the Alberta hockey team, as his senior year landed him with a whopping five labs in order to finish a biology degree in the normal four years. Both his undergrad and graduate theses at Alberta focused Elliot on anemone research, a project that ultimately brought him to Florida State to complete his PhD with one of the only researchers in North America studying the relationship between anemone fishes and their hosts. Throughout his work on these and other marine invertebrates, Elliot has been published nearly thirty times, and is still working.

His early research of anemone fishes took him to temperate and tropical waters all over the world, including Australia, Papua New Guinea, Hawai'i, and Bermuda, where he met his wife, Jacqueline, also a biologist. The couple made their way from Bermuda back to Canada and then finally to Washington twelve years ago when both of them accepted positions here at Puget Sound. According to Elliot, their two children are carrying on the family name, calling them both "little biologists." Evidence of their budding natural science passions are his daughter's ball python, son's pac-man frog, and recent combined efforts to nurture local foothills tadpoles into adulthood.

Elliot's passion for biology seems to be equally as inspiring here at Puget Sound, as he is praised by student reviews on ratemyprofessor.com. He teaches introductory biology classes and the more advanced marine biology and invertebrate zoology classes. Elliot was recently named University Professor of Natural Science of the Year. "I'm thrilled, excited and honored," Elliot said of the award.

She's a capital Kay *Religion professor's writing displays her "social and intellectual commitments"*

BY SHELBY TAYLOR
FEATURES WRITER

I was introduced to Associate Professor of Religious & Social Ethics, Judith Kay through Lies, Secrets and Power, a Scholarly and Creative Inquiry class which got at the heart of each course theme by means of an ethics perspective. Always dressed in vibrant hues, Kay has a warm personality to match and knows her stuff. The upside to attending a private liberal arts college is that a student's first name will be known by his or her professor, and out of class engagement is not uncommon. Kay is no exception, always saying hi in passing and asking of her students' wellbeing. It is with great pleasure that I introduce Judith Kay, professor and friend.

Kay traces her career as based upon two questions: "What is true?" and "What is right?" According to Kay, "three college courses, all in the religion department, provided major moments of insight. The first was a study of Søren Kierkegaard's treatise on commitment in relationships. I had always said I would never marry; he changed my mind. The second was a course in New Testament that required a first draft of a paper. The professor's comments prompted me to reread my sources; it was if I were reading them for the first time. I finally grasped how these authors were part of a larger conversation. The third was my first course in ethics. I could barely understand my professor, Edward LeRoy Long, Jr., but I wanted deeply to learn to think ethically. Ed Long remains a friend and colleague to this day. Three mentors in graduate school were highly influential—the Jesuit scholar William Spohn, the ethicist Karen Lebacqz and the sociologist of religion, Robert Bellah."

Kay draws further inspiration from "Sister Helen Prejean for her ability to move people to embrace life; Dorothy Day for

being faithful to all aspects of herself; Malcolm X for naming internalized racism, exposing hypocrisy and being willing to correct his course; Martin Luther King, Jr., for his synthesis of American ideals with the vision of justice embodied by the Hebrew prophets; and rescuers of Jews during the Holocaust."

As such, it is no wonder that Kay is "committed to ending all forms of humans harming humans. I research how humans come to harm each other and how people come to eschew such harm. Hence, my teaching includes a study of bystanders as well as rescuers during the Holocaust; an examination of violent offenders and how victims of violence avoid becoming victimizers; and what I call heroes of integrity—people who met the social crises of their time with courage and dignity. I love it when people let their humanness show and open themselves up to new ideas, new ways of seeing and to each other. I try to model this

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openness in class so that students feel free to do so as well."

Kay's point of reference is largely based off of her father's example. "I write about topics where my love of intellectual rigor meets my practical social engagements. My father lived out his religious commitment to social justice. During the New Haven race riots when I was in high school, my father coordinated homestays in our nearby community for black families needing refuge. I learned of the need to take public stands—caring in your heart of hearts was insufficient. My writing makes visible my intellectual and social commitments," Kay said.

Senior German major:

I've really loved every German professor I've had. I've learned so much from David Tinsley, Kent Hooper, and Jennifer Colosimo and had so much fun in each of their classes. Each one has a unique style but they compliment each other so well and are so brilliant at what they do. Best of all they're each just a little bit crazy. Tinsley attacking a chair is probably my favorite classroom moment I've had in my entire four years at Puget Sound.

Junior FLIA-French major:

My favorite professor

would have to be Diane Kelley. She has the ability to make just about any discussion interesting and never fails to make me laugh at least once during class.

There were multiple times my freshman year that she made our class laugh so hard, we cried. A little fun in learning goes a long way and being able to pick up on jokes in a foreign language always makes you feel better about your capabilities.

Senior Business major:

My favorite professor has been Dr. Jeffrey Matthews in the School of Business

and Leadership. He really pushed us as students, and I feel has provided students with exceptional resources for both personal and educational development.

Alison Paradise did an amazing job in teaching her subject. I am not good at math, but found her teaching style easy to understand. I have also volunteered at Habitat for Humanity with her, and I think that she gives so much to the community.

Junior Natural Science Biology major:

Nancy Bristow in the History department because she

is able to make even history exciting and interesting and make sure that everyone is enjoying the class and learning.

Stephen Zopfi in the music department. He is new this year but he has taken the Adelpian concert choir to a new level and actually cares about his students and their wellbeing as well as his choir. By caring about his students his choir sounds even better.

Senior English Major:

Professor Alison Tracy Hale is a great professor because she cares about students and wants them to succeed in her classes.

She's always available to answer questions or to just talk. It doesn't hurt that she's also hilarious though!

Senior History major:

My favorite professor is Bill Breitenbach. He's an absolute genius and he's really passionate about history. He knows absolutely everything about his subject matter and he pushes his students to conduct their studies as if they were professional historians, not just history students.

He's also a great advisor who will go above and beyond to help his advisees.

Trimble lock systems fail to ward off looting space bugs

BY MINNAN BLAQUE
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Although best known for its spacious rooms and thick, sound-proof walls, Trimble has garnered fame in recent years for its fool-proof security systems. The "No Creeps Allowed" signs posted at each entrance clearly ward off any potential creeping, while the symmetrical layout of the building serves to confuse any strangers who manage to infiltrate.

With these extensive security measures, it came as a great surprise to Puget Sound security last week when a small team of space bugs managed to infiltrate the doors, which were being heavily guarded by several smokers at the time.

Said one witness, "I always let people in. I try not to judge people by how they look, and they seemed like students here. I was just trying to be polite by holding the door for them."

Due to Campus Security's strict confidentiality policy, names of the twenty suspects have not been released, but all those held have been described as being slender, with large black eyes, six legs, and a hard exoskeleton.

These insect-like creatures stand at about two inches tall and travel in packs, as there is strength in numbers, but they

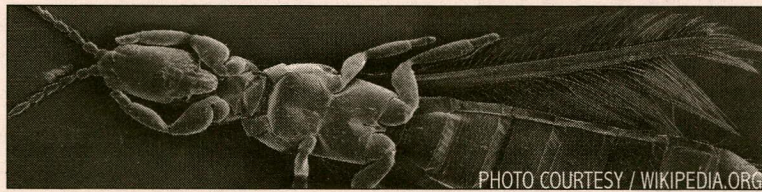


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move very quickly and creep about unnoticed most of the time.

Security detectives teamed up with Tacoma police to run background checks on this motley crew of thieves, as the stiff-jawed critters declined to confirm or deny accusations about campus laptop thefts. Investigation showed that this colony of "nasty little space buggers" of unknown planetary origin has been wreaking havoc on the North End for weeks, since their fleet crash-landed at the Proctor Farmers Market.

At this point, little is known about their species. It has been noted, though, that the "buggers" are fond of brick buildings and under-ripe fruit, which led them away from the Farmers Market and onto the Puget Sound campus. Their taste for shiny things and high technology lured them into the life of crime for which they are now being punished.

To catch the thieves, Campus Security piled up a dozen laptops of varying brands and models. Leaving them seemingly un-

attended in an open dorm room, they left a sign that read "Do Not Take These Computers," so that there would be no confusion. A trail of watches, hundred dollar bills and iPods was set up to lead hopeful crooks to the booty.

When a colony of bugs marched through the hallway along the trail, residents of the building reportedly did not notice anything out of place as most were drunk at the time. Minutes later, when four laptops emerged from the dorm room, Security trapped the space bugs under glasses and promptly called for backup.

Campus facilities are usually not equipped to hold prisoners awaiting trials, but in this special case, arrangements have been made. The twenty suspects are being held in mason jars with holes punched in them, with the campus nutritionist delivering fruit slices to them twice daily. Justice will be served once Tacoma police locate a capable translator, so that the whereabouts of previously stolen devices can be learned.

Blowing open the "logGers" conspiracy

BY CHAN CHANCELY
GOOD WRITER

Many people throughout their years here at Puget Sound have been surprised and confused by the capitalization of the second "G" in the Loggers Wi-Fi network. For those of you who are ignorant of this strange phenomenon, as long as anyone can remember the wireless Internet connection across campus has been named "logGers" with the strange capitalization of the second "G." Though the administration assures that the capitalization has no meaning, it has still been the focus of many conspiracy theorists.

"I think it is the school flipping us off, man. Look at that 'G.' It's sticking up right in the middle, just like a middle finger. You can totally see it when you squint," says Ralf Penton a self-proclaimed "thwarter of the man."

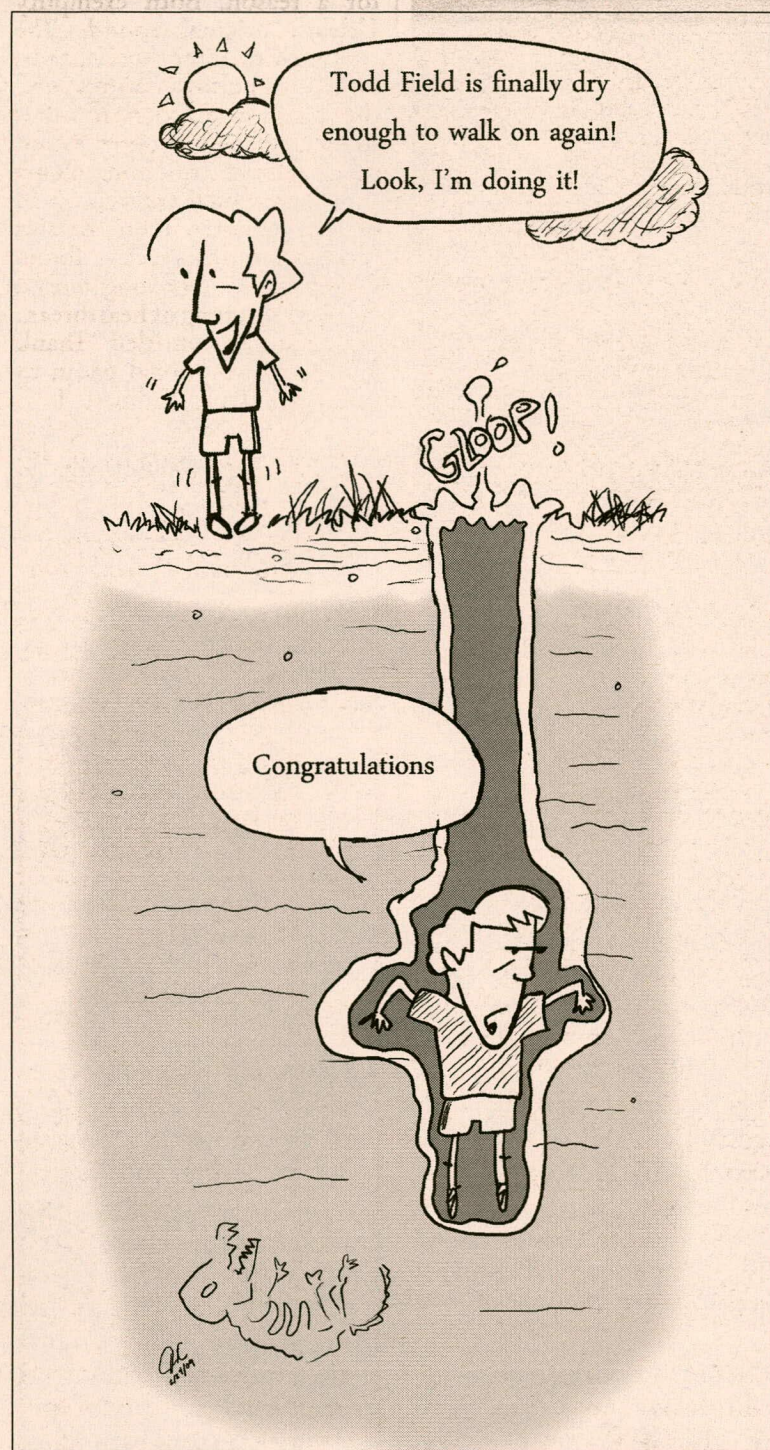
The theories are as far-fetched as a rawhide bone shot out of a cannon for a Greyhound to chase and as all-encompassing as a sprawling zucchini plant in a vegetable garden. Some believe the capitalization is the beginning of a system of brainwash-

ing which would culminate in a student coup d'état united under the capital 'G'. Others, taking a more philosophical approach, muse at the implications of a juxtaposed capital G to a lower case g.

"It's as if even though it is the second 'G,' because it's in the middle, it holds more importance. It's just like how the man who lives an unexamined life in the middle of the system can find the most meaning in life," proposed philosophy major Bill Shut as he served a customer an order of fries in the S.U.B.

The "logGers" network has garnered quite a large cult following in recent years with students past and present gathering to praise the oddly capitalized word and its internet connection. These cult members, who call themselves "G's," praise the "logGers" network as the one true network and shun all other Internet connections. Cult member Amie Pre-sionable has been a "true believer" for the last six months.

"My roommate wanted to get a router so we could have our own internet, but I turned her from those false idols and changed her from a blaspheming heretic to a G," she said.



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Extreme Classifieds 2009

Too intense for the "Classifieds" section!

For Sale

\$200 O.B.O.: handmade wicker shark cage. Slightly used. Will throw in a disposable underwater camera.

\$TBA: Accepting offers on my girlfriend. Communication studies major, slow at times but in good condition. Comes with own set of problems.

Free: to good home or otherwise — box of pregnant cats.

Butter Knife Haircuts — Free this Sunday! I am a culinary cosmetology student trying to gain experience. Will also do beard trimming and mustache maintenance, as well as any spreading of butters and other toppings on your bread or crackers.

Free: Dragon Costume. Some spines missing from the back, child's vomit stains on right leg and remnants of pepper spray on the mask. Teeth marks on most of the tail, barely noticeable though. Great for any occasion.

Found

Found: 30 G iPod, a stereo system, a box of Double Stuff Oreos and nice set of chrome

rims. Found in a green Honda Accord parked outside the S.U.B.

"Found": Nice gun, found stashed in port-a-potty behind the Keg and Ale house. Clean, no prints. Have been killing squirrels with it, works very nicely. Finders keepers.

Jobs

Fish washer needed: Trout Unlimited. We are looking for someone with fish washing experience to help wash our trout. Applicants must be sensitive and able to communicate with dirty, nervous trout. And be handy with a sponge.

Looking for a critical, borderline emotionally abusive nanny to divert my two children's resentment from myself. Preferably severe and bitter, prone to outbursts. Should be physically unattractive or startling in appearance. Will pay \$10/hr.



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Tacos Guaymas favorite for Mexican food

BY GINA TZODIKOV
A&E WRITER

I have had many conversations with fellow Puget Sound students regarding the quest to find delicious Mexican food in Tacoma. Although there are a few Mexican restaurants around campus, none seem to satisfy the craving for wholesome burritos.

To help the Puget Sound campus, my friends and other burrito aficionados fulfill their cravings, I went on a search to find the best burrito in Tacoma. I came across a family owned business called Tacos Guaymas located near the Tacoma Mall at 2630 S. 38th Street.

Tacos Guaymas's menu is extensive and reasonably priced for the college student budget. The menu features traditional Mexican dishes such as chimichangas, flautas and quesadillas. They even offer some sweet treats like the always-popular churro and horchata, a cinnamon rice milk drink.

My suitemates and I now take weekly excursions to Tacos Guaymas. One of the widely agreed upon favorite meals is the wet burrito. The average price for one of these delicious concoctions is about \$8.25.

A wet burrito comes covered in enchilada sauce and cheese, making it, in my opinion, more savory than a normal burrito. The inside of the burrito is filled with rice, gua-



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Guaymas: This local Mexican restaurant is gaining fame for classic burritos and reasonable pricing.

camole, sour cream and your choice of pinto or black beans.

There is also a variety of meat options to incorporate into your burrito including chicken and carne asada. If you are vegetarian, do not fret, Tacos Guaymas has options without meat.

The servings are large and you will definitely get your money's worth, it is almost impossible to eat a whole burrito without feeling extremely full and tired.

However, this can work out to your advantage. The beau-

ty of Tacos Guaymas is how perfectly their dishes work as leftovers, which are both economical and delicious. And in case you are on the town, these burritos make the perfect late night post-party snack.

You will not have to worry about shelling out an extra buck for sides, either. The fresh salsa, condiments and variety of picos de gallo that are up for grabs when you place an order.

When making a visit to Tacos Guaymas, I recommend

ordering their guacamole. It tastes fresh and is served with crunchy tortilla chips that will be hard to stop munching.

If you are among those who are still in search for a tasty and comforting Mexican restaurant, Tacos Guaymas is sure to meet your demands. Food is also available to-go.

Tacos Guaymas is an excellent establishment serving the finest burritos and Mexican food. It will soon become one of your favorite Tacoma restaurants.

New releases in country music keep listeners on their toes

BY HANNAH CHASE
A&E WRITER

Two weeks ago, country star Keith Urban released his fifth album *Defying Gravity*, proving to his many fans that he has not lost his musical talent. Only one word is necessary to describe *Defying Gravity*: fantastic. Urban continues to use the creativity that brought his listeners his 2002 release *Golden Road* and his hit singles "Somebody Like You" and "Days Go By."

Defying Gravity seamlessly combines country twang with hook-laden songwriting to create a CD perfect for today's country music scene. Written with a slight pop twist, the album is considered catchy by anyone who listens to it. You do not need to enjoy country music to enjoy Keith Urban's enthusiastic and sentimental vocals.

Each song compels you to listen to the next. The album's first track "Kiss a Girl" can only be described as a country rock song, as can the song "Sweet Thing." Both tracks were chosen to be the album's singles for a reason. Both exemplify Urban's original sound. The combination of power chords, crisp drumming, strings and the banjo overlay each other to create a new country sound that belongs to him alone.

Ballads, which are a standard on every country album, are also present on this "rock" album. However, not one song can be considered a song of heartbreak. The final track, entitled "Thank You," is an emotional paean to his wife Nicole Kidman. It is not heartbreaking, but rather a joyous song expressing his love and thankfulness for all that she has done in his life.

Keith Urban has created a treat for the ears. *Defying Grav-*

Mariners games fun even for non-sports fans

BY L. WILDER FLATT
A&E WRITER

Baseball is quintessentially American. The word stimulates a jumble of corresponding images: novelty foam fingers, baseball hats, foot long hot dogs, giant bags of peanuts, and tons of overpriced, cheap-as-in-low-quality beer.

The Mariner's game on April 17 delivered all of these stereotyped expectations in abundance and yet managed to be an all-around fun experience.

I am not a fan of sports and baseball is, to me, right up there with golf in terms of being an exciting, spectator sport. So when the offer came up to go see a Mariner's game, I was dubious. However, figuring that the worst that could happen would be to get hit in the head by a foul ball, I agreed.

Safeco Field itself is absolutely awe-inspiring. Although clearly visible from the I-5 on the journey between Tacoma and Seattle, it is impossible to have any idea just how gigantic it is until you are right next to it.

The traffic near the stadium was an utter nightmare, although finding a parking spot was deceptively easy. The reason for this became apparent later, when we discovered that nobody parked on the third level because of the wait to get out after the game.

The stadium was absolutely packed and finding our seating was an adventure, let alone pushing through the crowd. We were in the nosebleed section, literally the top row, but had an excellent view of the action, and downtown Seattle.

One thing that is nice about

Safeco field is that in cooperative weather, the top of the stadium is rolled back, an architectural feat that is astonishing to watch. The open-air stadium offers an amazing view of downtown Seattle, and the picturesque city nightscape.

Right off the bat, food was decided to be a top priority, so after securing our seating we headed down to brave the lines. After half an hour in line and nine bucks, I had Supreme Nachos. The price of food at the stadium is exorbitant to say the least, but the food itself is delicious, and the variety offered is pretty astounding.

Back up in the nosebleeds, after some delicate maneuvering around screaming fans and jealously guarded cups overfilled with beer, we began watching the third inning. A huge effort is made to encourage audience participation. The giant television screens urge fans to cheer louder, and flashes animations of the players running the bases. Part of the fun is to just lose yourself in cheering, whether or not you actually care about the outcome. The Mariners did win, incidentally.

Overall, the game was an exciting and thoroughly entertaining experience. The moral of all this is that going to a baseball game is about far more than what is taking place on the diamond.

It is not necessary to have any real understanding or interest in what is going on, although a general understanding does make things more interesting. You are there for the atmosphere, for the experience. Baseball games are a chance for camaraderie, and above all, fun.

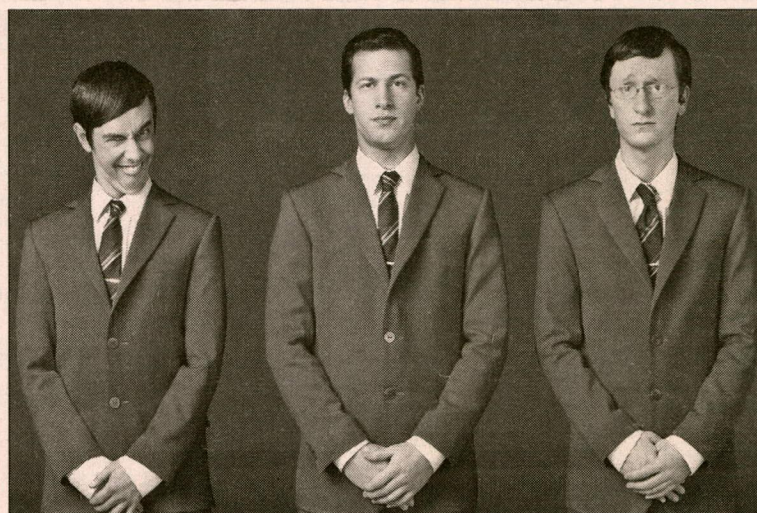


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Laugh: U.T. included, comedy writers are generally well-loved.

Ubiquitous They focuses comedy into sketch shows

BY JEN DAVIS
A&E WRITER

Members of Ubiquitous They tend to think of themselves as minor campus celebrities, and, disregarding the predisposition of funny folk toward slightly enlarged egos, they might be right.

From the crowd of loyal followers at their shows in the Rendezvous, to the droves of bright-eyed novices who turn up at their semester auditions, hoping for a chance to become part of the magic, U.T.'s hilarity and ingenuity has placed them solidly in the campus consciousness.

Yet, for all their terrific one-liners and outrageous physical comedy, there are few who actually know the finer details of what U.T. does, much less that their spring sketch show Ferris Wheels, Cracker Jacks, and the Celebration of Western Imperialism plays this

weekend in Rausch at 8 P.M.

Shameless plugs aside, I am now happy to provide the average non-funny Puget Sound student with the skinny on those strange kids in hand-drawn t-shirts.

U.T. is made of two factions: improv and sketch. As mentioned, improv performs every other Friday night and at various other events, including tours to local schools and charitable proceedings.

Rehearsals for improv are held weekly and the few new members that are taken on every semester are required to go through a training process (likened to comedy hazing) to ensure that they are comfortable enough to perform and stable enough to make up a performance as they go.

Sketch culminates in one show at the end of every semester. While sketch is cast

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Proctor Farmers Market brings community together

BY JASON SCHUMACHER
A&E WRITER

At the beginning of spring, the Proctor Farmers Market slowly starts emerging on Saturdays from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. The market, located at North 27 St. and Proctor, is primarily a summer staple, but vendors have started to peddle their wares to morning and early afternoon crowds.

The market's goal is to provide a venue where community members can sell their locally-produced wares and to cement a firmer sense of community in the North Tacoma area. Most of the vendors tend to emphasize that their goods are locally produced and have a very limited distribution range.

The market is host to several kinds of vendors. On a normal day, there will be vendors selling, meat, fish, cheese, bread, hummus and a number of other foods. The long one-block street is beautified by several vendors selling flowers, as well. Each day, there is a differ-



Market: Proctor vendors offer a range of local fares at this event which draws out a diverse crowd. ASUPS PHOTO SERVICES / ANDREW SHERIDAN

ent special event, ranging from cooking demonstrations to live music. The cooking demonstrations occur from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

As the season goes on and the weather begins to develop into a full blown Pacific Northwest summer, additional vendors start to emerge.

Most of the time, there are several vendors selling fruit, vegetables, bread and flowers. My favorite, local vendor who happens to sell products at

the Proctor Farmers Market is the Upper Crust Bistro.

While their main location and bakery is located just off of North 21 St. and Oakes, the Upper Crust crew bring their delectable breads and pastries to the market every Saturday. There is perhaps nothing better than a stroll down sunlit Proctor with a delectable pastry in your hand (and mouth).

While there are other seasonal markets in Tacoma, namely the 6th Avenue Farmers Market and the downtown Tacoma Farmers Market, the Proctor Farmers Market is special, not just because of its proximity to the university, but because of the feeling of the market as a community gathering place.

The market is an egalitarian event, as I tend to see a Puget Sound professor, a few faculty members and a few students every time I visit.

The market is currently accepting volunteers to help out for however much time they happen to have available. If you think you might have a couple free hours on a Saturday morning, the market could be a way to participate in the feeling of the greater Tacoma community.

Tacoma to celebrate National Bike Month with first annual Bike Swap



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Cycling: Tacoma has no shortage of bike enthusiasts and the Bike Swap provides an opportunity to share stories with others.

BY ROSE THOMPSON
A&E WRITER

May is National Bike Month. Events abound in Tacoma and on the Puget Sound campus. The first annual Tacoma Bike Swap will take place on Saturday, May 9 in the Wyatt Hall parking lot. Bike to Work Week is May 11 through 15.

"The bike swap will be a great event for community members and Puget Sound students, staff and faculty to celebrate the benefits of cycling. It's a place for people who are really passionate about biking to come together and for people who don't know as much about it to come learn," junior Katrina Bloemsma said. Her internship for the City of Tacoma involves planning upcoming Bike Month events.

If you are looking to purchase a used bicycle, do not miss the opportunity to check out the event's prime selection. The Tacoma Bike Swap is open to the public and over 20 vendors are expected to attend, including a vendor selling vintage road bikes

from the 1930s. Pierce transit will be there with information about bringing your bike on the bus and cycling safety information will also be provided.

Although Tacoma is not the top-ranked bike-friendly city, bicycle routes have become more widespread recently. Pierce County bike maps are free and available all over Tacoma, including the S.U.B.

Escaping car culture via bicycle is an excellent way to avoid traffic, save gas money, be green and get out into the real world of gritty yet charming Tacoma. Biking to the mall, downtown and even across the Tacoma Narrows Bridge to Gig Harbor are all extremely doable activities.

Bloemsma frequently commutes downtown for her internship on her bicycle. "You can have a positive impact even if you only do it one or two days a week," she said. "It's a good way for people in the workplace to get to know each other better and it raises awareness for cyclists in our community so that drivers will share the road."

A bicycle maintenance clinic will be held at REI on May 13 to coincide with Bike Month, a great chance to learn how to repair your own bike. A good selection of new bikes is also available at REI.

Even more convenient, the on-campus bike shop (located in the Expeditionary) provides free education, free bicycle repairs and innovative programs. This student-run organization has many bike tools available for the campus community and volunteer student mechanics provide assistance as needed.

Other nearby bike shops include Rainier Cycle Sports, located in the Proctor District and Old Town Bicycle, near Ruston Way in Old Town. Both are known for providing excellent service to students and have wide selections of bikes and gear.

For artistically-inclined bicyclists, there is a contest to design a spoke card promoting Tacoma cycling. The City of Tacoma and Tacoma Art Museum will hold the third annual Zeit-Bike competition in support of Bike Month. Winners will be awarded generous prizes, with a first place of \$200. All entries will be on display at the Tacoma Art Museum from May 19 - 21.

With the increasing popularity of bicycling as a means of transportation, bicycle theft is unfortunately on the rise as well, especially on college campuses. The National Bike Registry estimates that over 1.5 million bicycles are stolen every year. Besides using a U-bolt lock, you should protect your bike by signing up at www.nationalbikeregistry.com. But most importantly, enjoy cycling in Tacoma!

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ity has opened a door for country music. It has the potential to be the album to bridge the gap between country and pop while still keeping true to the country genre. It is said that there is only two types of music: good and bad. *Defying Gravity* is an exceptional example of what "good" music is supposed to sound like.

The music is catchy, relatable and creative. There is not a single song on the album that is worthy of skipping. The album's flow is fantastic. Beginning with an upbeat song draws in the listener while the other tracks keep them listening intently.

Urban is not the only country artist to put out new material, Rascal Flatts also released an album recently. Based upon past album, I believed that *Unstoppable* would hold true to the artist's past work. *Unstoppable*, however, is not as good as it was expected to be. In

the past, Rascal Flatts had kept its music easy to relate to. *Unstoppable* is a failed attempt to prove that the group is in fact "unstoppable." The band abandoned sentimental songs for power ballads and party hits.

The album is more rock than country. The vocals are drowned out by the wave of sound that accompanies each track. It is the epitome of country-pop and lacks any sense of sentiment. It is as though Rascal Flatts is attempting to prove its superstar status with bar anthems, such as "Summer Nights" and over the top ballads, like "Close."

If Rascal Flatts wishes to hold on to stardom, the band should rethink its current musical styling and return to the time where humble minds created relatable and enjoyable songs. If Rascal Flatts continues on this road, the band is going to lose its popularity.

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separately from improv, most members of U.T. do both.

The actors write sketches every Sunday at writers meetings in the S.U.B. lounge, edit them and compile them into a show. T-shirts and posters are made and the public rejoices at the thought of a full ninety minutes of non-stop, gut-busting comedy action. Whether you have only heard of U.T. in passing, consider yourself a loyal follower, or have no idea

what U.T. is about, I encourage you to join us this weekend.

Arguably, laughing until you cry is comparable if not slightly superior to playing beer pong alone or stealing Chiclets from Safeway.

Sure, with solo pong you always know who is going to win, but here at U.T., we agree that what is more important is how you play the game, even if you lose... all of the time.



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